weavers have been upgraded with modem looms, other machinery and equipment to improve the quality of services and facilitation for modernisation.

(iv) Computer Aided Design Centres in Powerloom Service Centers have been established to provide value addition through design inputs into powerloom production.

(v) Powerloom Export Entitlement (PEE) quota has been provided to encourage powerloom exports.

(vi) A Special Group Insurance Scheme has been approved to provide cover to the powerloom workers against death, accident and disability.

Outstanding dues against Textile Industry

†4948. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that approximately 16,000 crores of rupees is outstanding against textile industry in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of outstanding amount against handloom, powerloom and textile mills, separately ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL) : (a) and (b) This Ministry only maintains data of credit outstanding against sick textile units. The information is given below:

Outstanding Bank credit to stick textiles units

(In Rs. Crores)

	Textile Industry	
Period Ending	No. of Units	Amount Outstanding
March 2000	514	2869.59
March 2001	564	3362.49

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.